

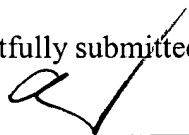
REMARKS

Applicants have amended the specification to insert the sequence listing in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825 and to insert replacement drawings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.84-1.121. No new matter is added.

CONCLUSION

On the basis of the foregoing amendment and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. If there are any questions regarding these amendments and remarks, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,



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